Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others, and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Jim Schaefer who is retiring from the state of South Dakota after 38 years of service; and,

Whereas, After serving in the United States Air Force from October 1970 through April 1974, Jim returned to South Dakota to raise his children Joliz, Kim, and Stephanie, and began a career with the South Dakota Retirement System in 1978, moving on to the Bureau of Administration in 1981, and joining the Bureau of Finance and Management in 1985; and,

Whereas, In 1987, Jim played a lead role in the implementation of a new centralized statewide accounting system and has served as the foremost expert and adviser to users of the system in every state agency; and,

Whereas, Jim has provided guidance and assistance to hundreds of accountants across state government, a go-to expert for the most complex accounting problems, created innumerable financial reports for every state agency, and ensured the books were closed every month and year-end; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the contributions of Jim Schaefer to the state of South Dakota during his many years of employment with state government:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby designate June 8, 2017, as

JIM SCHAEFER DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his colleagues and friends in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State